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8 May 1968

MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

Morning Meeting of 8 May 1968

DD/I reported that another session with the China watchers from academia was held recently at Harvard, and he passed the Director a memorandum concerning the relationship of the Agency with academic institutions.

Lehman for Godfrey reported signs that a second Viet Cong division has moved into Saigon's environs and other signs that VC pressure on Saigon will continue.

Lehman referred to press reports concerning the figures on infiltration from North Vietnam. He noted that [redacted] will be

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D/ONE received the Director's permission to pass a copy of the Memorandum to Holders of NIE 11-1-67 to NASA Administrator Webb.

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Maury noted that he and John Warner talked with Congressman Philbin about the cost-of-living adjustments for retirees under the CIA system.

Maury reported that Bob Michaels has informed that budget hearings with our House Appropriations Subcommittee will probably slip to 17 May or the following week.

Maury reported, in response to the Executive Director's inquiry of yesterday, that the proposed Congressional resolution to cancel previously authorized expenditures appears to be an expression of attitude which will probably have no practical effect.

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Bross noted that General Maxwell Taylor has inquired about the briefing on order of battle in Vietnam which he requested earlier and which was postponed. The Director asked the DD/I to lay on the briefing for General Taylor, which will also cover the differences between the Agency and MACV on enemy strength figures.

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Bross observed that Bill Fischer of the Bureau of the Budget is pressing to learn the Agency's position on the need for development of [redacted] The Director reminded that he promised Ambassador Bohlen a paper on this subject. (See Action 1)

ADD/S&T informed that last night's SR-71 mission over North Vietnam experienced 75 percent cloud cover.

25X1 DD/P noted that General Depuy has requested that the Agency brief the Joint Chiefs on our Roadwatch and other paramilitary activities in Laos. The request was apparently stimulated by an Army proposal that these operations be transferred from the Agency to the Army. [redacted] [redacted] and Larry Devlin are scheduled to make the presentation on 13 May. 25X

DD/P alerted that former Ambassador to Ghana Franklin Williams has joined Columbia University and intends to write a book about his experiences as a Chief of Mission.

25X1 DDCI advised that Lou Tordella will be coming over for lunch on Friday and that Lt. General Masters, USMC, will retire in June [redacted] [redacted] 25X

DDCI discussed the paper prepared for USIB this week on organization of the new intelligence handling committee and indicated that he believes Agency difficulties with the paper can be reconciled.

The Director requested that those present have a look at the article on CIA contained in the May issue of the HEW publication American Education and consider transmitting copies under cover of personal notes to key educational figures who might be interested.

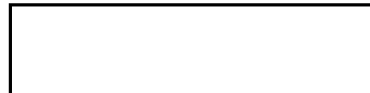
25X1 The Director reported that he will seek to clarify with Secretary Rusk problems arising from the passage to foreign governments of the Memorandum to Holders of NIE 11-14-67. He stated that the way is clear to brief [redacted] on the methodology used in the study which forms the basis for the Memorandum.

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ACTION:

1. The Director asked the DD/I to report on the status of the paper for Ambassador Bohlen by close of business today.



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